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IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the claims as indicated below.

(currently amended) A method for communicating via an intermediate 1. 1 system between a plurality of wireless devices having client-side software associated 2 with a plurality of application programs and a plurality of remote systems having server-3 side software associated with the application programs, comprising the steps of: 4 storing in the intermediate system descriptions of application-level protocols and 5 6 indications of correspondences between the application-level protocols and the application programs, each application-level protocol having a corresponding association 7 8 with one of the application programs; 9 storing in the intermediate system identifications of users and lists of application programs and remote systems associated with the users, each list listing the application 10 programs associated with each user and listing a remote system associated with each 11 application program in the list, wherein storing comprises storing user configuration lists, 12 13 each user configuration list including information identifying a user and information 14 identifying one or more application programs associated with the user; 15 in response to use of an application program by a user of one of the wireless 16 devices, the intermediate system receiving information identifying the wireless device 17 used and the application program used; in response to receipt of the information identifying the wireless device used and 18 19 the application program used, the intermediate system identifying the application-level 20 protocol associated with the identified application program, and the intermediate system identifying the remote system associated with the identified wireless device and 21 22 identified application program; in response to the use of the application program, the intermediate system 23

receiving application program output from the identified wireless device, the application

program output received in accordance with a transport-level protocol, each wireless

device of the plurality of wireless hand-held devices communicating respective

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- 27 application program output to the intermediate system in accordance with the transport-
- 28 level protocol; and
- the intermediate system transmitting the received application program output in accordance with the identified application protocol to a remote system associated with the identified application program.
 - 2. (original) The method claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of the intermediate system receiving information comprises the intermediate system receiving a message having a header and a body, the header identifying the user by login identification, and the body identifying an action and an application program associated
 - 5 with the user and the action.
 - 1 3. (original) The method claimed in claim 2, wherein the body includes the application program output.
 - 4. (original) The method claimed in claim 3, wherein the application program output is an electronic mail message.
 - 5. (currently amended) The method claimed in claim 2, wherein the action is selected from the agroup consisting of send mail and get mail.
 - 1 6. (canceled)
 - 7. (original) The method claimed in claim 7, wherein the step of the intermediate system receiving information comprises the intermediate system receiving a message having a header and a body, the header identifying the user by login identification, and the body identifying an action and an application program associated with the user and the action.
 - 1 8. (original) The method claimed in claim 7, wherein each user 2 configuration list includes information identifying a server associated with each

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application program and login information for the user associated with the application 3 4 program. 1 9. (original) The method claimed in claim 8, wherein the action is change 2 configuration, and the body includes fields having values to replace values in corresponding fields of the configuration list associated with the identified user. 3 1 10. (currently amended) An intermediate system for facilitating 2 communication between a plurality of wireless devices having client-side software 3 associated with a plurality of application programs and a plurality of remote systems 4 having server-side software associated with the application programs, comprising: 5 a protocol configuration database in which is storable descriptions of application-6 level protocols and indications of correspondences between the application-level 7 protocols and the application programs, each application-level protocol having a 8 corresponding association with one of the application programs; 9 a user configuration database in which is storable identifications of users and lists 10 of application programs and remote systems associated with the users, each list listing the 11 application programs associated with each user and listing a remote system associated 12 with each application program in the list, wherein the lists include user configuration 13 lists, each user configuration list including information identifying a user and information identifying one or more application programs associated with the user; and 14 15 a processor system programmed to effect a method in accordance with the steps 16 of: 17 in response to use of an application program by a user of one of the wireless 18 devices, receiving information identifying the wireless device used and identifying the 19 application program used; 20 in response to receipt of the information identifying the wireless device used and 21 the application program used, identifying the application-level protocol associated with 22 the identified application program, and the intermediate system identifying the remote

system associated with the identified wireless device and identified application program;

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- in response to the use of the application program, receiving application program output from the identified wireless device, the application program output received in accordance with a transport-level protocol, each wireless device of the plurality of wireless hand-held devices communicating respective application program output to the intermediate system in accordance with the transport-level protocol; and transmitting the received application program output in accordance with the identified application protocol to a remote system associated with the identified application program.
- 1 11. (original) The system claimed in claim 10, wherein the processor system
 2 receives a message having a header and a body, the header identifying the user by login
 3 identification, and the body identifying an action and an application program associated
 4 with the user and the action.
- 1 12. (original) The system claimed in claim 11, wherein the body includes the application program output.
- 1 13. (original) The method claimed in claim 12, wherein the application 2 program output is an electronic mail message.
 - 14. (currently amended) The method claimed in claim 11, wherein the action is selected from the a group consisting of send mail and get mail.
- 1 15. (canceled)
- 1 16. (original) The method claimed in claim 15, wherein the processor system
 2 receives a message having a header and a body, the header identifying the user by login
 3 identification, and the body identifying an action and an application program associated
 4 with the user and the action.
- 1 17. (original) The method claimed in claim 16, wherein each user configuration list includes information identifying a server associated with each

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- 3 application program and login information for the user associated with the application
- 4 program.
- 1 18. (original) The method claimed in claim 17, wherein the action is change
- 2 configuration, and the body includes fields having values to replace values in
- 3 corresponding fields of the configuration list associated with the identified user.